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The man who is not already a Rough Rider, eventually must ride a rail.

The man who worries about other people not respecting his dignity, has no dignity to respect.

Judge Richardson and Billy Atkinson also put on their fighting clothes when the Texas annexation resolution came up.

If we were not all of us exaggeratedly interested in ourselves, life would be so uninteresting that no one could endure it.—Schopenhauer.

A cow puncher asks: "Way do we want to join Texas anyway, unless it is to put a few trees in western Texas and a whole lot of water?"

The man who obeys President Roosevelt's instructions may expect at any time to be fired and then be called a liar through the newspapers.

The cattlemen, always broad, when they saw the seriousness of the Texas annexation resolution, voted to reconsider and withdraw it by unanimous vote.

It goes without saying that nobody will ever get all he asks for in this world,—hence, there is such a thing as being too modest for one's own good.

The Record always considered the Texas annexation proposition a joke—but it became serious when the cattlemen's covenant proposed to endorse it.

The Texas annexation business is finally settled, as it should be. When it came to a showdown the people of Roswell did not want the impression to go out that they were quitters.

If Curry is a Republican converted from Democracy by the bribe of an office, then he never was a true Democrat, and never will be a true Republican—merely an average New Mexico politician.

President Roosevelt does not himself hesitate to oppose the majority in his own party,—but when one of his appointees fails to deliver the delegates in convention, the "square deal" is off.

President Roosevelt needs the six Republican delegates of New Mexico in the next National convention, and evidently is willing to sacrifice such paltry considerations as good government for this Territory, in order to get them.

The time is coming when the white population of New Mexico will combine regardless of party to reform the government of the Territory,—unless the intelligent Mexicans in self defense repudiate the old gang of grafters who have corrupted the simple and ignorant voters of the Mexican race.

It was hardly fair to the cow men for the Register-Tribune to publish the annexation resolution as passed, when it was in fact withdrawn by an unanimous vote of the convention and consigned to the waste basket. But possibly the R-T. man had a tip from the author of the resolution, had it in type and had to use it as a space-filler.

Perhaps the Record was too hasty in assuming that the new appointee for governor is a Democrat. Some of our Republican friends now assert that Curry became a Republican some six years ago when the President handed him an office. Republicans and Democrats agree, however, that Curry is an intensely "practical" politician of the New Mexico brand, and that

he formerly called himself a Democrat. All of which convinces us that the situation is made worse instead of better by the retirement of Governor Hagerman and Attorney General Reid.

"Much reading deprives the mind of all elasticity. It is like keeping a spring continually under pressure. The safest way of having no thoughts of one's own is to take up a book every moment one has nothing else to do. It is this practice which explains why erudition makes most men more stupid and silly than they are by nature.—Schopenhauer.

And right here is where the "Parson" swore off reading the great pessimist, and picked up a newspaper.

It is time to stop the Texas annexation dream. It was started for political effect. It is only sentimental, a matter of impossibility, out of the question, and what is more not the wish of our citizens. If the thing were left to an election on the part of the Pecos Valley the vote would be against it, especially so in Roswell. When J. F. Hinkle walked down the aisle at the convention hall he voiced the sentiment of Roswell people in saying: "I protest. You cannot resolve to take away the birthright of my children and my adopted home. We are New Mexicans, and will remain so forever, whether it be a state or a territory. We are friendly to Texans; we admire them as neighbors, as friends and as a great and good people. We appreciate the compliment, the courtesy, but it is firmly, resolutely and forever declined. We are proud of our country and our people, we love our valleys and our mountains, and as New Mexicans we will forever remain."

THAT WITTY REMARK.

That witty remark,
That pretty remark,
Would all have convulsed sure as fate:
So clever, you know, and so apropos—
The one that you thought of—too late.
—Kansas City Star.

THE NEW GOVERNOR-TO-BE.

George Curry was born in Louisiana about 45 years ago. He came to New Mexico in 1881, first living in Colfax county. Moved to Lincoln county in 1885. He was first a clerk at the post trader's store in Fort Stanton, and afterwards was associated with J. J. Dolan at Lincoln. He was at various times probate clerk, assessor and sheriff of Lincoln county. Was Territorial councilman from this district in 1895. His present legal residence is Roswell, but since 1898 he has been in the army and government service. He is well known and very popular with all the old timers, and is said to be a practical politician of the typical New Mexico stripe.

BORROWING TROUBLE.

Now, the very worst thing that might happen, you know,
Are the things that don't happen at all.
We fidget and worry, lamenting and sorry,
In the grasp of expectancy's thrall,
Apprehensive forebodings incubate our souls,
Depression weighs down like a pall,
So we wear a long face with a very poor grace
And then nothing happens at all.
When we prophesy storms it is sure to clear off,
When our money's gone, something comes in—
And the thoughts of those bills which have given us chills
Every month shouldn't make us grow thin—
For they fly down the past like the leaves on the blast,
We settle up, somehow, and why
Do we bother and fret over what we forget
Before many days have passed by?
We were not carried off by that terrible cough,
And in fact, 'twasn't much, come to think—
All our pains and our aches and our dreadful mistakes,
Why, they, too, have slid over the brink
Of the gulf that forgets; yet we still wring our hands
Predicting some ruinous fall,
Approaching disaster we hail as our master—
And then nothing happens at all.
—Elliott Walker in Spare Moments

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ROUGH RIDERS' REUNION SHOULD COME TO ROSWELL.

G. A. Richardson, president of the Roswell Commercial Club, suggested to the Record this morning that the next reunion of the Rough Rider regiment should be held in Roswell. It will be recalled that the first reunion of this regiment was held at Las Vegas, N. M., the second at Oklahoma City, the third at Colorado Springs, Colo., the fourth at San Antonio, Tex., and the fifth will be held this year at Prescott, Arizona, at which place the unveiling of a monument erected to the memory of Bucky O'Neil is to take place.

The Record considers this suggestion a good one. Mr. Richardson said that he had considered it with Capt. Ballard and Mr. James Hamilton, the only members of the regiment residing at Roswell, and it met their approval. He feels confident from talking with other members of the regiment, who are at present in the city, that Roswell can secure the support of all the Rough Riders in New Mexico, and their friends generally to aid this movement.

Roswell would be glad to have this gathering here, would appreciate it, and would guarantee the entertainment of the organization and its friends in a manner and upon a plan that would meet the satisfaction and approval of the men who composed this distinguished body of soldiers. It will be remembered that Roswell furnished 26 men to that regiment, and two of its officers, Captain Ballard and Captain Curry. Twenty-four out of the 26 actually enlisted, two being rejected upon physical examination. Roswell feels that she should have an opportunity to entertain the "boys," and especially so since one of the Roswell members of the regi-

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ment has been appointed Governor of New Mexico.

The Commercial Club will do a very handsome thing for the community in bringing about this gathering at Roswell in 1909 and its representatives should be upon the ground at the next reunion at Prescott.

It is a noteworthy fact that during the three days of the Stockmen's convention there was but one arrest made by the officers, a drunken Mexican being taken into custody for disturbing the peace. Considering that at least three thousand strangers were in Roswell, this speaks wonders for the behavior of the convention people, and reflects considerable credit on the people of Roswell. The police arrangements were also admirable, directed as they were by Marshal Rascoe and Sheriff Ballard.

B'Nai B'rith Convention.

Memphis, Tenn., April 20.—Leading Hebrews from many southern and western states will take part in the annual convention of the seventh district of the Independent Order of B'Nai B'rith, or Sons of the Covenant, which will open in Memphis, tomorrow and continue in session three or four days. The district includes the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Kansas, La. Mississippi and Tennessee. The order is a benevolent one and is international in its scope, having branches in Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia, as well as North and South America. It supports several charitable institutions, in Cleveland, and the National Jewish home for consumptives at Denver. The order also appropriates \$15,000 annually for the support of invalid Jews at Hot Springs. Michael Mohr of Montgomery, Alabama, is president of the seventh district, and Nathan Strauss of New Orleans grand secretary.

Injunction Hearing Monday.

St. Paul, Minn., April 20.—Judge Lochren of the United States district court will give a hearing Monday to the application for an injunction filed by the ten railroads operating in Minnesota against the state railroad and warehouse commission to prevent it from putting into effect the proposed new schedule of commodity rates and the order to show cause why the attorney general should not dismiss the mandamus proceedings which he started against the railroads in the state district court. A supplemental bill has been filed by attorneys for the railroads in which the attorney general is made a defendant in the injunction suit against the state railroad commission. The hearing has been postponed three times and another continuance will likely be asked for Monday, although it is doubtful if it will be granted.

To Discuss Car Shortage.

Memphis, Tenn., April 20.—Presidents and other prominent officials of eight leading railroads will gather here Monday for a conference with the river and rail committee of the Memphis Lumbermen's club, when questions of national importance, especially affecting car shortage and freight congestion, will be fully discussed. Tel Gayoso, behind closed doors, and will be followed by an elaborate banquet in honor of W. W. Finley, the new president of the Southern, and other visiting officials.

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Chicago, April 20.—The Minneapolis & St. Louis railway today placed on sale a 100 ride ticket between Minneapolis or St. Paul and Chicago at the rate of \$6 per trip. This is only about half the regular rate and is less than 1½ cents a mile. The action has been severely criticised by passenger officials of other roads and may result in a passenger rate war.

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